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APPLELOOZA RETURNS TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD FARMERS MARKETS

The annual event celebrates Washington apple farmers and processors

Seattle, WA: Neighborhood Farmers Markets (NFM) announced the return of their annual Applelooza event to celebrate Washington apple season. The event will take place at the three year-round farmers markets run by the organization. Applelooza features apple tastings, trivia, raffles, and more apple-themed activities.

"Crop-focused events like Applelooza showcase the incredible variety that small growers make available to us," says Jennifer Antos, Executive Director at NFM. "It takes real dedication to continue to grow and market heirloom apple varieties and Applelooza is a once-yearly chance for people to get to know them."

"I'm looking forward to tasting the heirloom apples that are not available at grocery stores. I mean, those are amazing," says Molly Burke, Manager of the Lake City Farmers Market.

The Applelooza event at the West Seattle Farmers Market will also feature an apple tart demonstration and book signing by Lauren Ko, the writer, artist, and baker behind the best-selling cookbook *PIEOMETRY* and the popular Instagram account @lokokitchen. Applelooza will take place on the following dates:

- October 29 at the University District Farmers Market
- October 30 at the West Seattle Farmers Market
- November 6 at the Capitol Hill Farmers Market

About Neighborhood Farmers Markets: The Neighborhood Farmers Markets supports and strengthens Washington's small family farms while educating consumers about seasonal eating, local agriculture, and the importance of supporting our local farm economy. NFM's seven producer-only markets and food access programs ensure equal access to fresh food for all income levels. The NFM is a registered 501c3 charitable organization powered by a committed community of farmers, vendors, and Seattle neighborhoods.